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LAW NOTES

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WELCOME A NEW ASSISTANT DEAN: MELODY J. STEWART, B.MUS., J.D.

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Melody Stewart was an undergraduate student at the University of Cincinnati, College-Conservatory of Music, majoring in music theory and composition when she represented her first client in a court of law. Her client was accused of running a red light at a busy intersection. Ms. Stewart was certain her client was innocent; in fact, she was convinced the police officer issuing the citation could not even see the intersection where the alleged violation occurred. Armed with photos of the scene and eyewitness accounts of the incident, Ms. Stewart appeared in a Cincinnati court to plead the case of the unjustly accused. It will come as no surprise to the winning Cleveland - Marshall Moot Court Teams of 1987 and 1988 that their teammate easily won the case. The guiltless client was Melody Stewart herself, and that was her unofficial introduction to a future career in law.

Melody Stewart followed her instincts and the example of her sister, Cheryll Stewart Bellamy (class of 1978), and enrolled at Cleveland-Marshall in 1985. Before she arrived, she had already received her first award, a Patricia Roberts Harris Graduate Fellowship from the U.S. Department



Melody Stewart '88
Assistant Dean

of Education: her first award, but not her last. In her freshman year, Melody was the first place oralist in the College's Intramural Moot Court Competition. In her second year, she co-authored the first place brief and was a member of the winning team in the Jerome Prince Moot Court Evidence Competition in Brooklyn, New York. Ms. Stewart's final year was a ledger of triumphs: she won the Moot Court Faculty Advisor's Award, was named to the Order of Barristers,

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Richard S. Koblentz '75

The programs made by your Association under the leadership of the Board of Trustees and dedicated committee members make reporting to you in *Law Notes* a genuine pleasure. Over the past several months we, as an Association, have contributed to the Alumni, students, the law school, and our constituents, in a number of ways.

Our C.L.E. program presented a series of eight Saturday morning seminars, which have not only allowed our practicing attorneys to fulfill their educational requirements in a cost effective and convenient manner, but have been widely praised by our attendees for their timely and informative formats and exceptional speakers. An added benefit of our success in this area has been the ability to fund our new activities.

As you read this column we will have put into place a new emergency loan fund to aid our students who encounter sudden short term financial problems, as well as a scholarship program granting stipends to our students who merit our recognition for their achievements in various areas which are not traditionally rewarded. Among those categories are stipends for leadership ability, community involvement and offspring

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EDITORS' NOTE

We are happy to report that we have received strong and positive feedback about the expanded *Law Notes*. We extend our thanks to the many alumni who have sent in news items and information for Alumni Happenings. A special thanks to Marlene Shettel, Financial Aid Administrator, for her assistance in providing us with alumni news. We encourage you to send us your announcements. Your classmates and colleagues really are interested in your activities!

This issue of *Law Notes* offers the reports of the various committees of the CMLAA. The committees are hard at work on a number of important and interesting projects, as you will read. Also featured is an open letter to all C-M alumni from president Richard S. Koblentz in response to an inquiry from an out-of-state alumnus. In addition,

we offer information on current activities at Cleveland-Marshall, including Dean Steven Smith's column, the 1991 Spring CLE Series, and a spotlight on our new Assistant Dean, Melody Stewart.

Look for the next issue of *Law Notes* to find out who will be honored as our outstanding Alumni for 1991. Details about the Annual Recognition Luncheon will be included in that edition. So mark your calendar to attend the festivities on Friday, May 3, at Swingo's at the Statler.

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Please keep us informed. We look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,
Jane S. Flaherty '88
 and **Mary C. Groth '83**
 Co-Chairs, Publications Committee

DID YOU KNOW . . .

The Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association is supported only by your dues and its activities. The Law Alumni Association is not affiliated with the Cleveland State University Alumni Association — **we are not a constituent group!** Recently a CSU Alumni flyer misstated that as a member of the CSU Alumni you would automatically become a member of the Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association. This is not the case. Any literature which you receive from CSU Alumni and states that you are a member of CMLAA is incorrect. If you have joined CSU Alumni and are under the belief you would also be joining C-MLAA, please contact the Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Office. Thank you.

MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

By Steven R. Smith

Thoughts on Admission to the Bar

Chief Justice Thomas J. Moyer invited me to present brief remarks to the new members of the bar during the recent bar admissions ceremony. The ceremony, held in the ornate Ohio Theatre in Columbus, was a time for those of us first admitted to practice some years ago to renew our commitment to the profession. In this spirit, I thought you might be interested in the three rules I suggested to the new lawyers to ensure success in the profession, not the glitzy Hollywood image of success, but enduring and satisfying success.

Suggestions

1. **Treat every client as though he or she is a member of your family.** Remember clients are people, not units of production. They should be treated with respect, and kept informed about what is happening with the legal problems they entrust to you. You owe them the obligation to act ethically and honestly, not just in the technical sense, but in a way that demonstrates they can have complete confidence in you.

Remember how awful litigation is for most people; help them avoid litigation if possible.

2. **Don't try to get rich.** Lawyers should expect to be comfortable but not to become wealthy. From the moment you want to have the biggest house on the hill, or the shiniest BMW, you will never again be free, or satisfied. From then on, your judgment as a lawyer will be warped by money.

3. Return something to society.

A. Undertake pro bono work. (I will discuss pro bono issues in some detail in a future issue of *Law Notes*.)

B. Improve the profession. As you know, our profession confronts a number of problems including public distrust, professional dissatisfaction, heavy use of alcohol and other drugs and burnout. The profession needs your work, your energy and your creative suggestions. Stay involved in seeking ways to

improve what we do as a profession.

C. Maintain an interest in education. You will be the most educated men and women in your communities. Your support for education and your example will be critical to the future of many who will look up to you. I hope you will be especially interested in the future of legal education. You have benefitted from many generous lawyers who have helped improve legal education over the years. You should try to give something back.

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The Annual Fund Drive

We are now completing the Annual Fund Drive for the law school.

Cleveland-Marshall increasingly depends on the support of its graduates. The quality of the academic programs of the school depends on your commitment and generosity. As Cleveland-Marshall continues to improve in quality and reputation, that support will be even more important.

During the next few weeks you will be receiving a call about our Annual Sustaining Fund. I urge you to make a contribution when you receive that call. The university has assured us that every dollar you contribute to this campaign will go to the law school (unless you designate otherwise).

Your participation in the future of the law school is important. The faculty and students are encouraged when they see graduates contribute to the school.

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Part-Time Conference

In the last issue of *Law Notes*, I reported that the ABA was going to hold a conference on part-time legal education and that Cleveland-Marshall was playing an important role in that conference. I am happy to provide an update. The conference was a great success and will undoubtedly serve to improve the quality of part-time legal education around the country. Cleveland-Marshall is, I believe, recognized as a leader in part-time legal education. We have tentatively been invited by the ABA to hold a second national conference on part-time education at our school in the fall of 1992.



Dean Steven Smith.

MEMBERSHIP

The membership committee continues to strive to generate reasons why you should join our Alumni Association. We are pleased to announce that we have had a tremendous response to our C.L.E. rebate coupon program which allows our paid members to deduct ten dollars from a fall and a spring C.L.E. seminar at the time of advance mail registration. This benefit offers a savings of possibly twenty dollars from your annual dues. Especially recent graduates, who matriculated within the past five years, have substantially benefitted from this program since it reduces the cost of their membership to a mere five dollars per year!

Our committee has also recently begun soliciting approximately the twenty largest law firms from our community to encourage their attorneys to join our Association. In addition, we have also begun a membership drive targeted toward each graduating class. If anyone is interested in contacting their classmates to join our association, please call **Mary McKenna** at 687-2368. This campaign can accommodate as many representatives from each class as are willing to make telephone calls. Our committee has begun this drive, but intends to have all of our graduating classes, particularly from the past twenty years, represented by individuals who will make contacts during our next membership year. You may choose to participate either now or next September, but please tell us now of your interest.

Our Association is here to serve you, the law school and its students. We encourage you to inform us of your interests and to become active in our organization. What better way to begin than by joining today?

MENTOR PROGRAM GETS A GOOD START

by Greg Clifford '80

The Minority Concerns Committee is pleased to report that the Mentor Program got off to an excellent start last Fall. On Friday, September 28, 1990, we held a highly successful Kick-Off Reception at Mather Mansion on the CSU campus. The reception provided a splendid opportunity for the law students to acquaint themselves with alumni mentors in a warm and friendly atmosphere that was full of excitement and enthusiasm for the success of the program.

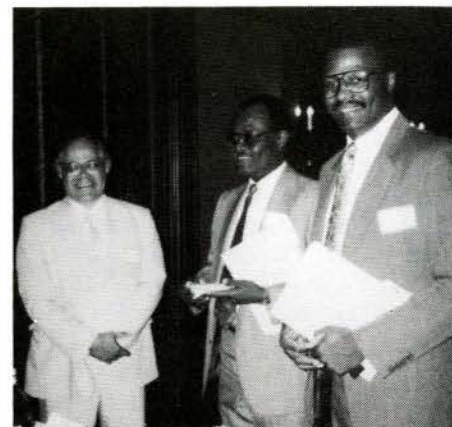
Of the nearly 100 people attending the reception, we enjoyed the company of a broad spectrum of dynamic personalities. We had in attendance several Trustees of the Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association, law school faculty, staff and administrators, corporate attorneys, government attorneys, partners and associates from large and small law firms, student bar leaders and judges from the federal, state, and municipal courts.

In addition to the friendly meeting, greeting and sharing of a good time with one another, the reception's attendees were briefed on the objectives and expectations of the Mentor Program. Among the items included in the folder supplied to each participant was an evaluation form to provide a method of feedback for helping us develop the program for the future—a schoolwide program for all students.

To help everyone reach the program's goals of reducing the attrition rate, increasing bar passage rate and developing employment opportunities, we have included a series of seminars in the activities of the pro-

gram for the law students. On October 13, 1990, in conjunction with the National Bar Association-Law Student Division's new student orientation, the first seminar, "Legal Writing and Classroom Preparation", was held. On November 17, 1990, we conducted our second seminar, "Studying and Writing for Exams". We plan to repeat this seminar with different presenters in the Spring before exam time. A "Job Search and Placement Services" seminar is scheduled for February 2, 1991, and "Bar Examination Preparation" seminars are currently being developed with the assistance of the law school.

We are very optimistic that the Mentor Program will continue its success throughout the year and serve as a model upon which to expand in future years.



Outstanding Alumnus of the Year Federal Judge George White '55, Hilary Wilson '85 and student Cedric King.



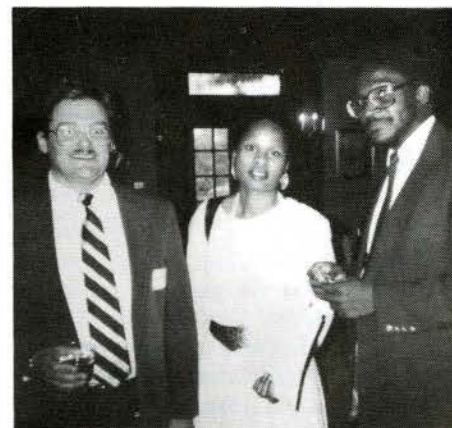
Jose Feliciano '75, Judge Shirley Strickland Saffold '76, student Theresa Metcalf, and CMLAA Trustee Santiago Feliciano '76.



Judge C. Ellen Connally '70, and student Pinkie Clark.



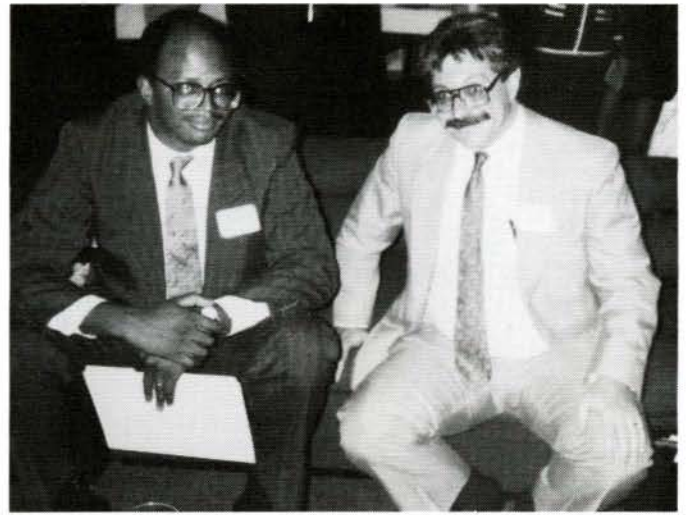
Natalie Walters, Greg Clifford '80, Sharri Roper, Richard Humphries '78, student Linda Frazier, and Winston Grays '81.



CMLAA Immediate Past President Gerald R. Walton '80, Sheryl King Benford '79 and Professor Solomon Oliver.



Student Linda Frazier, Judge Ronald Adrine '73 and student Terri McNair Hammons.



Student Donald Rice and CMLAA Trustee Gary Maxwell '88.



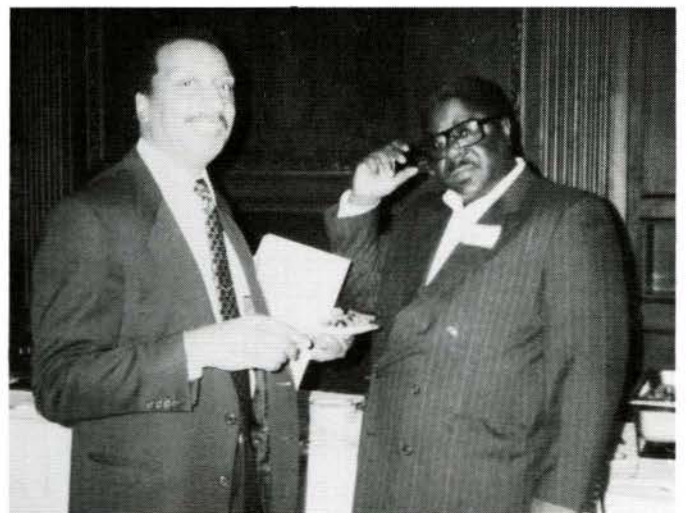
Richard Humphries '78, CMLAA Officer Sheryl King Benford '79, CMLAA Honorary Trustee Jose Feliciano '75 and CMLAA Trustee Jane S. Flaherty '88.



Vicky Ward '82, Professor Joan Baker, Laura Williams '82, and student Renita Benson.



Winston Grays '81, Vicky Ward '82, Donald Butler '81, students Mamie Mitchell and Cedric King.

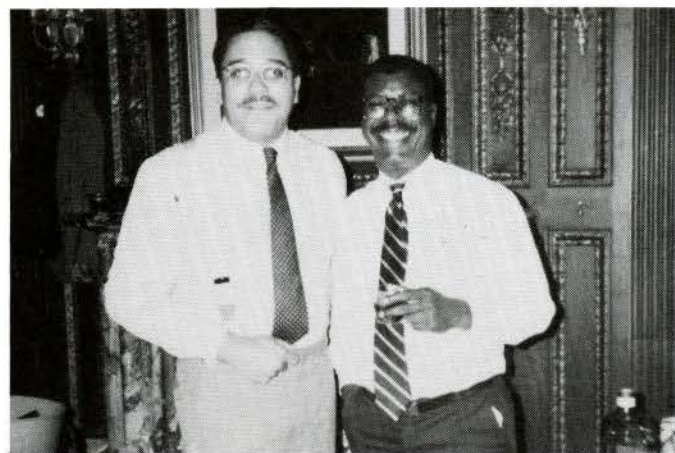


Gary Williams '84 and Donald Butler '81.

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Student **Theresa Metcalf**, **James Hewitt '79**, Registrar **Kay Benjamin**, and Assistant Dean **Melody Stewart '88**.



James Hewitt '79 and student **Reginald Maxton**.

The 15th Reunion of the Class of '75

— A Great Success!

by Debbie Hiller '75

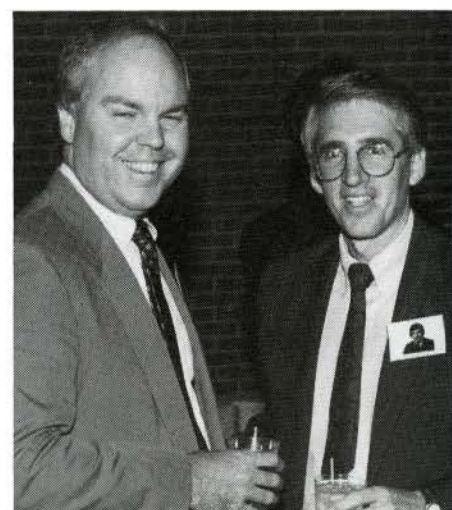
The Class of 1975 held its 15-year Reunion on Saturday, October 6, 1990, with a dinner dance. The celebration was attended by approximately 60 people and the Reunion Committee heard from dozens more of our classmates who were not able to attend. The food was outstanding and the company was even better! By request, the disc jockey played only "Rock 'n Roll Classics." That few of us danced appeared to have less to do with the musical selection and much more to do with our desire to catch up on what everyone had been doing the last fifteen years.

The group was particularly pleased that the Law School Atrium was made available for the festivities. For many of us, it was our first opportunity to see the "new" law school. We all concluded that the facility is a big improvement over the Chester Building and that Cleveland-Marshall is growing stronger with every passing year. Special thanks go to Dean Steve Smith's office and especially to Alumni Director **Mary McKenna**, without whom the Reunion Committee could not have put the event together.

For those of you who were unable to make it to the Reunion and catch up on all the gossip, we are planning to put out a newsletter with more class news. Everyone should mark his or her calendar now to plan to join us in 1995 for our twentieth year reunion!



(L. to R.) **Debbie Hiller** and **Rich Koblentz**.



(L. to R.) **Doug Fouts** and **Dale Markowitz**.



(L. to R.) **Joe Jerome**, **Sharon Jerome**, **Gus Swanson** and **Sheldon Jacobs**.



(L. to R.) Tony Palmieri, Regis McGann and Mrs. McGann.



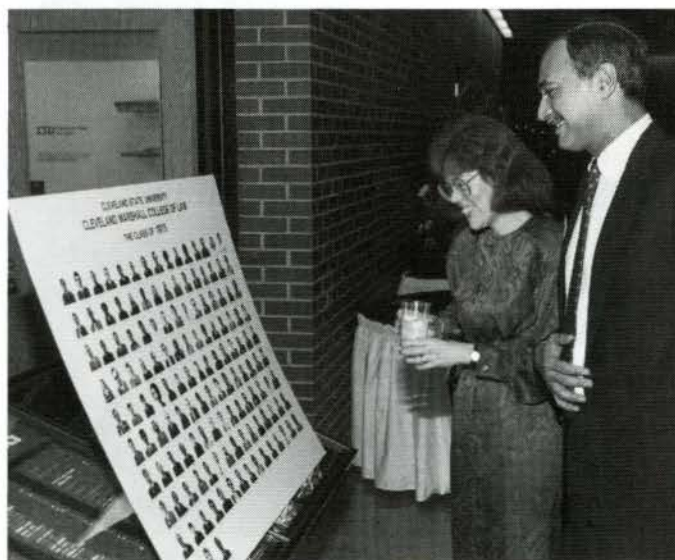
(L. to R.) Michael Murman, Mrs. Michael Murman and Bill Hofstetter.



(L. to R.) Rick Gilmore, Michael Thomas and Pat Thomas.



(L. to R.) Joe Jerome, Bill Bransford and Kathleen Bransford.



A look at the class picture.



(L. to R.) Pat Thomas, Michael Thomas and Bailey Clegg.

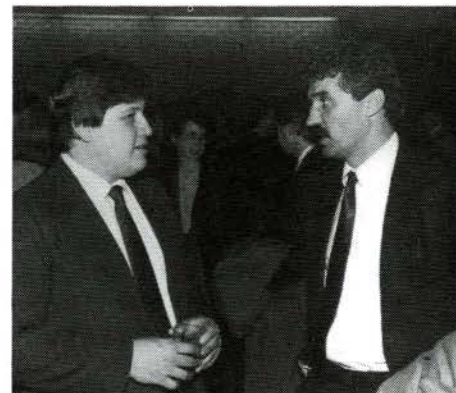
CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME TO THE BAR!

The following alumni were successful applicants to the July 1990 Ohio Bar Exam:

Mark Adams
Mary Barrett
Janette Bell
Steven Bradley
James Burdett
Gregory Butrum
James Byrne
Judith Carlin
Cynthia Caster
Henry Chamberlain
Cavid Chernosky
Robert Clapp
Michael Connick
Patrick Corrigan
David Cuppage
Mary Curran
Patricia Cuthbertson
Kathleen Dangelo
Gloria Debose
Stephen Deffrank
Donna Deioma
Brenda Derrick
John Distin
Joseph Doran
James Drake
Karen Dunn
Patrick Ertle
Jill Fehr-Wade
Lisa Fleger
Greg Foliano
Craig Gambrel
David Gherlein
James Glenn
Jill Gliha

Michael Goldberg
Thomas Goodwin
David Gornick
Bernice Greene
Paul Grodecki
David Hackman
John Hanna
Randy Hart
Michael Hasychak
Caren Holton
Bruce Horrigan
David Hurd
Lili Kaczmarek
Michelle Kalapos
Lee Kasputis
Tom King
Donald Kotnik
William Koval
John Latchney
Patrick Leddy
Barbara Lederman
Mark Leventhal
Robin Levine
Anna Lischner
John Leucken
David Maistros
Lynn Major
Francis Manning
Ellen McCarthy
Donald McConnell
Deborah McMillan
Michael McPhillips
Carol Miller
John Murphy

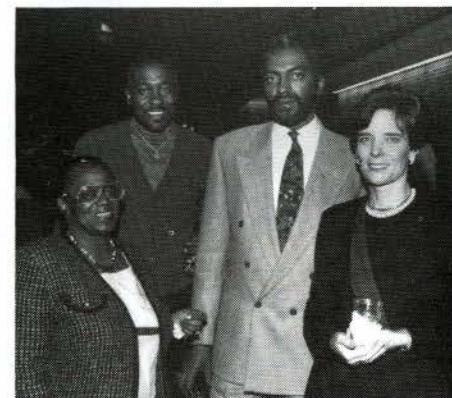
David Nager
Cornelius O'Sullivan
Susan Panasik
Edele Passalacqua
Ross Paul
Jeffrey Paxton
Mark Phillips
Luann Polito
Daniel Ranke
Mary Reid
Patrick Rhoa
Ellen Richman
Susan Riddle
Karl Rissland
Frank Rozanc
Mark Rudy
John Ruiz-Bueno
Brian Ruschel
James Schumacher
Steven Sciortino
Lawrence Seman
Thomas Shaughnessy
John Simon
Christine Sommer
Yvette Sonkin
Timothy Spackman
Leslie Spencer
Stacey Staub
Thomas Tarantino
David Trimble
John Vitullo
Herbert Walker
James Weixel
Cathy Williams
Rosemary Wilson



(L. to R.) Chuck Ruiz-Bueno and Jaime P. Serrat '82



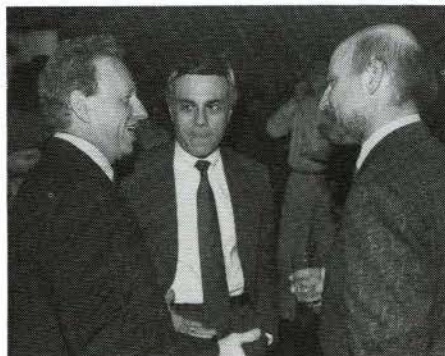
(L. to R.) Rhonda Patsouras, Lisa Fleger, Peggy Goldner and Ron Wayne.



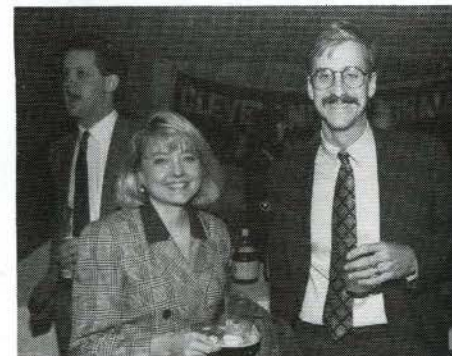
(L. to R.) Esther Lester, Edwin Kelly, William McCorvey, and Louise Mooney.



(L. to R.) Greg Foliano '90 and Dave Nager '90.



(L. to R.) Gus Rini, Tony Gentile, and Prof. Steve Lazarus.



(L. to R.) Jim Weixel, Karen Davey, and Howard Mishkind.

AN OPEN LETTER

Editors' Note: The following letter was prepared by the president of the CMLAA in response to a letter from Robert C. Lynn, an out-of-state alumnus, who inquired into the role of the Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association and the benefits of membership. Your Board of Trustees thought you would also be interested in Mr. Koblentz's response.

Dear Mr. Lynn:

Thank you very much for your letter. The fact that you have taken the time to address my *Law Notes* column certainly is indicative of your concern about our law school, its students and alumni.

In examining our records, I noted that you graduated in the same era that I did and your dilemma makes perfect sense to me when viewed in that context. While a student at Cleveland-Marshall, I wasn't even aware of the existence of the Law Alumni Association and was far from satisfied with the law school's administration during that time period. After harboring those feelings of dissatisfaction for a number of years, I charged myself in a similar manner to the challenge contained in my summer *Law Notes* column: if I wasn't part of the answer, I was part of the problem, and decided to do what I could to improve the situation by working within the system.

A man whom I admire greatly once said, "When all is said and done, the true measure of our worth is what was important enough to stand up and be counted for." I submit to you that our law school, our fellow alumni and our law students, who are not only our Association's future, but, in fact, the future of our profession, are certainly worth standing up and being counted for.

Our Association is strictly self-supporting, receiving no funding from any Cleveland State University source. The work which we perform is made possible only through membership and any surplus generated through our activities, such as CLE programs.

Since mid-1989, the Law Alumni Association has made tremendous progress in improving a great number of areas which impact upon our

Cleveland-Marshall family. The rapport which has grown between the faculty and staff at the law school and the alumni has proven beneficial to all. I can truly say the relationship between the law school and our Alumni Association is better than it has ever been and is improving every day.

The Law Alumni Association has nine working committees which have been meeting regularly. In contrast, as of May, 1989, only two committees, membership and social, even existed. A large number of formerly inactive alumni have volunteered to serve as committee members, which has been particularly gratifying to the Board.

In addition to our membership and social committees, our Association has committees which have addressed, among other issues:

- A program to provide mentors for our students.
- Employment opportunities for our graduates and students in conjunction with the placement office at the law school and the local Bar Associations.
- Counselling and representation for students before law school bodies such as Academic Standards.
- An expanded and regularly published "Law Notes" which allows our alumni to stay informed about events at the school, within the Association and with one another.
- The concerns of our minority students, faculty, staff and alumni within the law school community.
- Scholarships for deserving students.
- Aid to the Dean's Discretionary Fund to allow Dean Smith to undertake special projects to

benefit the law school community, which cannot be funded in other ways.

- Topical, affordable and convenient seminars for our alumni, which fulfill CLE requirements.
- An emergency, short-term loan fund for students who find themselves in instant and unforeseen need.
- Aid to the law school community in obtaining its fair share of appropriation money from the University and legislature.
- Joint programs with the students focusing on academic and employment counselling, as well as social functions which bring us closer to the students.
- Recognition of outstanding faculty members.
- A full social program.

If all of the above activities do not provide enough of a personal benefit to encourage your membership, as one who resides outside the greater Cleveland area, please consider that the Association sponsors class reunions (I may add that my own class had an outstanding response from out of state members for our 15th reunion) and the fact that the better we make Cleveland-Marshall College of Law and its constituents, the more we help ourselves by increasing the value of our own diplomas.

In closing, I can only ask that you join us and make, through your participation, our Association and our entire Cleveland-Marshall family even better.

Wishing to thank you for your attention and concern, I am, very truly yours,

Richard S. Koblentz,
President, CMLAA.

SCHOLARSHIP AND STUDENT ASSISTANCE

by Scott Spero '89

One of the interesting features at Cleveland-Marshall College of Law is its unique and diversified student body. One of the interesting features of the Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association is its dedication to recognizing those unique students and the creation of the Law Alumni Student Scholarship Program is geared to do just that.

The Scholarship and Student Assistance Committee is pleased to announce the establishment of a scholarship program to aid worthy post-first year law students at Cleveland-Marshall College of Law.

It is anticipated that a maximum of ten (10) scholarships of up to \$500.00 each will be granted annually to students from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law depending upon availability of funds.

The scholarships will be awarded to students in good standing who have

successfully completed a minimum of 29 credit hours of study at Cleveland-Marshall College of Law.

In making its determinations of whom shall be recipients of the scholarship grants, the Law Alumni Association, through the Student Scholarship Committee, will take into consideration a number of factors, including, but not limited to: participation in law school organizations/activities, participation in community activities/organizations, unique life circumstances which warrant recognition, financial need, employment, and scholastic achievement in law school.

It is anticipated that at least two (2) out of the ten (10) scholarships will be awarded to students whose parents are alumnus/alumna of Cleveland-Marshall College of Law (minimum qualification), at least three (3) or more of the scholarships will be awarded to students with unique life circumstances which the Committee

believes warrant recognition, and at least one (1) of the ten (10) scholarships will go to a student who qualifies for financial assistance from the University and/or some other federal or state assistance (minimum qualification). The remainder of the scholarships will be awarded based on the discretion of the Law Alumni Association, through the Student Scholarship Committee, taking into consideration the factors set forth above. Students are free to apply under more than one category.

The applications will be available to post-first year students at the beginning of the second semester in mid-January, 1991, and the completed application must be returned to the Alumni Office by February 1, 1991. Each recipient will be notified by no later than April, 1991 that they have been awarded a scholarship. A reception honoring the recipients and their families will be held in mid-April (date to be determined).

SUPER SATURDAY

The Alumni Association, Cleveland-Marshall Office of Career Planning and the Women's Law Caucus wish to extend a special thanks to the sixteen speakers who participated in the Super Saturday Program held at the Law School on November 10, 1990. Because of the contributions of these speakers and the good student turnout, the Program was a success and will be repeated on an annual or semi-annual basis during the Fall and/or Spring semesters.

The speakers who addressed the students during a series of twelve presentations, in their respective areas of practice, were as follows:

Becky Blair and Lynn Simon
Simon, Blair & Associates
Domestic Relations/Family Law;

Howard Mishkind '80
Weisman, Goldberg, Weisman & Kaufman
Personal Injury/Medical Malpractice;

George J. Sadd
Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office
and

Richard S. Koblentz '75
Koblentz & Koblentz
Prosecutor/Criminal Defense Law;

Mary Ann Rabin
Mary Ann Rabin Co.
and

James R. Foos '79
Of Counsel, Sindell, Rubenstein, Einbund, Pavlik, Novak & Celebrezze
Bankruptcy/Collection Law;

Dale H. Markowitz '75
Thrasher, Dinsmore & Dolan
Municipal and Environmental Law;

Grant D. Relic '78
Ugan & Relic
General Practice/Starting a Law Practice;

Mark M. Musial
Musial & Musial
Estate Planning/Probate Law;

Neil M. Cornrich
Cornrich, Katz & Cornrich
Sports Law;

Bruce E. Gaynor '72
Kahn, Kleinman, Yanowitz & Arnsen
Real Estate Law;

Michelle A. Williams
Mt. Sinai Hospital
Health Care Law;

Paula L. Friedman
Baker & Hostetler
Labor Law/Employment Discrimination;

Neil W. Gurney
Kahn, Kleinman, Yanowitz & Arnsen
and

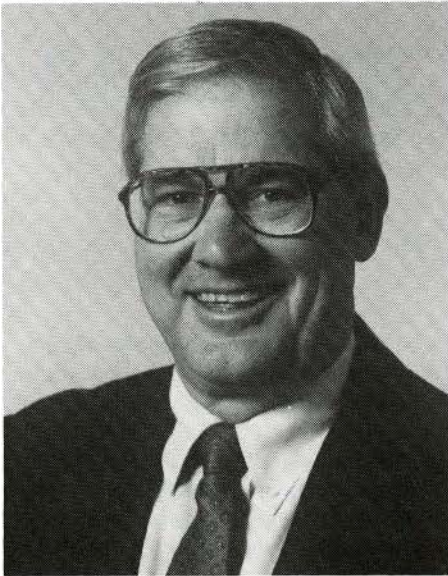
Scott C. Finerman '87
Cohen & Company
Corporate Law/Tax and Accounting Practice.

We congratulate all our speakers on a job well done.

Special Note: If any alumnae are interested in being a speaker for future Super Saturday programs, or sharing their ideas for future programs, please contact **Tina E. Weckler '85**, Chair of the Professional Opportunities Committee at (216) 621-3012.

ALUMNI HAPPENINGS

1957



Richard T. Reminger, a principal in the firm of Reminger & Reminger, recently spoke at the Universitätsseminar der Wirtschaft at Schloss Gracht in Erftstadt-Liblar in Germany. As a defense firm, it represents multiple insurers, hospitals, truck lines and manufacturers in this country. As it relates to its German clients, the firm represents such companies as Munich Re, Allians, Hannover Re, HDI, Audi, Volkswagen and BMW.

The subject of the speech was "The Defense of German Made Products Within the American Judicial System as Seen Through the Eyes of a Trial Lawyer." Mr. Reminger was the first American ever asked to speak before this economic institute. The institute has existed for approximately 25 years and is supported and established by 420 leading German industrialists. It is a six-week course for middle and upper management. It is their answer to the Harvard Executive Management Course. Mr. Reminger gave a similar speech on Oct 8, 1990 to the Bar Association of the City of Hamburg, Germany.



1961

At the meeting of the newly organized Greater Cleveland Chapter of the Korean War Veterans Association, Brigadier General **Fred Lick, Jr.**, OMR, was elected Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

General Lick is a graduate of the National Defense University, Washington, D.C. and the Adjutant Generals School. In addition, he was a resident student at the Judge Advocate Generals Schools in Charlottesville, Virginia, where he studied the Legal Aspects of Terrorism and Senior Officers Legal Orientation School.

General Lick began his military career in 1953 with the U. S. Army. Following basic training, he was sent to the Far East Command where he served on active duty until 1956.

General Lick has received many military decorations and awards. They include the Army Commendation Medal, Korean War Service Medal, United Nations Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Ohio Distinguished Service Medal and the Ohio and OMR Commendation Medals. General Lick also serves as the Annual JAG Seminar host for military lawyers.

General Lick is a graduate of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, where he received his bachelor of arts degree, and Cleveland-Marshall College of Law, where he received his juris doctorate degree.

In his civilian capacity, he is Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Central Reserve Life Corporation, with its new national headquarters located in Strongsville, Ohio.

Congratulations to **Richard Skillen Jr.** on joining Bank One Cleveland N.A. in the Personal Trust New Business Department.

1966

James E. O'Meara III is presently serving as Chief of the Cuyahoga County Grand Jury.

1968

Herbert Palkovitz and **Robert I. Zashin**, fellows in the Ohio Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, recently attended the national meeting of the Academy in Chicago, Illinois. **Mr. Palkovitz** recently served as Chair of the CMLAA-CLE Seminar on Family Law on October 6, 1990.

1971

Jack O. Warren has been living in Ft. Myers, Florida since 1987. Since the move, his health has improved and he has set up a tax mediation office. He is active in disability rights and attended President Bush's signing of the America for Disabilities Act in July, 1990.

1974

Judge Donald C. Nugent has been appointed by Chief Justice Thomas Moyer of the Ohio Supreme Court to be Ohio's Representative to the National Seminar on Toxic Torts and Complex Litigation. As only one of 25 judges in the nation to be given this honor, Judge Nugent is expected to present the latest updates in toxic torts to Ohio Courts and Attorneys.

1975

Congratulations to **Richard S. Koblentz** on the successful outcome of the Issue 4 Campaign. Mr. Koblentz was Co-chairman of the Issue 4 Campaign with Timothy Hagan.

1976

Robert G. Siefers has joined the Executive Management team of National City Corporation in Cleveland. Mr. Siefers had served as President of Ohio Citizens Bank of Toledo since July, 1986 and CEO since January, 1988. During his tenure, Ohio Citizens grew from \$770 million to \$1.1 billion in assets. Earnings more than doubled during this period, culminating in record net earnings of \$16.2 million at year-end 1989. Ohio Citizens, one of National City Corporation's member banks, is now regarded as one of the top performing banks in the nation. Mr. Siefers has been with National City since 1971. At the time of his appointment to the Presidency of Ohio Citizens, he was Senior Vice President of corporate banking at NCB, Cleveland.

1977

Carey N. Gordon, formerly a partner in the Cleveland firm of Rippner, Schwartz & Carlin, is working as Contracting Specialist/Legal Advisor to the Kinshasa, Zaire mission of the U.S. Agency for International Development.

1978

Michael L. Johnson has joined the Timken Company in Canton, Ohio as Director of Communications.

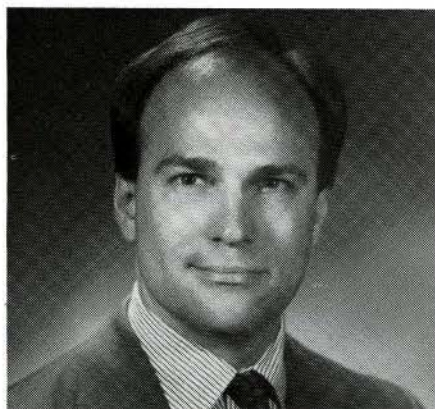
1979

William J. Day, Trustee of CMLAA since 1989, recently spoke to the Cardinal Retirement Village Seniors of Cleveland regarding "The Government Review of Medicaid Application, Including Medicaid Trusts" and also to the Cleveland Chapter of the Ohio Society of CPA's Northeast Caucus Group on "Avoiding Lawsuits and Penalties." Mr. Day is a Cuyahoga County Prosecutor and has private offices in Cleveland and Brecksville.

Sheryl King Benford, former Assistant Law Director of the City of Cleveland, has joined the Regional Transit Authority as Associate General Counsel.

Congratulations to **Gary A. Zwick** for being named to the position of Director of Tax for all three offices of the 90 person CPA firm of Cohen & Company. He was also named head of the Tax Department for the Cleveland office.

1980



Thomas J. Laubenthal

Thomas J. Laubenthal has been admitted to partnership in the firm of Ernst & Young. He is a member of Ernst & Young's Cleveland Actuarial, Benefits and Compensation Practice, which provides benefits and tax consulting services to major corporate clients. Mr. Laubenthal and his wife, Jean, have two children and reside in Valley View, Ohio.

1981

John M. Slivka has recently joined the law firm of Spieth, Bell, McCurdy & Newell. Mr. Slivka will be handling matters of tax and business law affecting privately owned business and their owners, as well as individuals. He will also be handling matters involving real estate developers, contractors, and owners. Mr. Slivka was formerly a senior Tax Manager at Ernst & Young.

Congratulations to **Jolan B. Vagi Palkovitz** and husband **Herb Palkovitz '68** on the birth of their son David Samuel on September 13, 1990. Ms. Vagi is a Referee in Cleveland Municipal Court.

1983



Congratulations to **Lurlia A. Oglesby**, Referee at Cuyahoga County Probate Court, on her engagement to Eric D. Stringfellow, a Staff Reporter for the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

1984

Congratulations to **Charles F. Wochna** and his wife, Terry, on the birth of their daughter.

1985

Congratulations to **David Fifner** and his wife on the birth of their first child.

Michael J. Russo, an Assistant Cuyahoga County Prosecutor since 1986, has recently joined the firm of Ulmer & Berne as an Associate.

1986

Congratulations to **William J. Coyne Jr.** for being featured in the Plain Dealer's *Today's Profile* for his efforts in collecting or foreclosing on tax delinquent property owners in Cuyahoga County. Mr. Coyne is the head of the real estate tax division in the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office.

Lenore Kleinman, formerly of Mary Ann Rabin Co., has joined the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office.

Anne Lukas-Jones has joined the law office of Lewis A. Zipkin.

1987



Congratulations to **Ed Kasputis** on his election to the Ohio House of Representatives.

Congratulations to **Denise J. Weisenborn** for being featured in the Plain Dealer's *Today's Profile*. Ms. Weisenborn, confined to a wheel chair with muscular dystrophy, graduated in the top 20 percent of her law class

and graduated with honors in foreign languages from CSU. She teaches Spanish and Bible Study classes to disabled people, and conducts marketing research for an advertising firm owned by a disabled person.

1988

Best wishes to **Nancy A. Fuerst** as she begins a General Practice of Law, with offices at 330 Standard Building. In the past year, Mrs. Fuerst has had her fifth child, Ruth Burke, and has managed to travel to Italy, Yugoslavia, France, and of course, Germany, to see the remains of the Berlin Wall. Way to go Nancy!

Anthony A. Guzik was recently appointed Assistant Counsel at the Cleveland Bar Association.

Carol E. Kadlubak Shockley has joined the Civil Division of the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office as Assistant Prosecuting Attorney.

Best wishes to **Patric Mary O'Brien**, who has left the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office to open her own practice in Geauga County.

Congratulations to **Melody Stewart** on her appointment as Assistant Dean at Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. For further details on Ms. Stewart and her position at C-M, please see the feature article on the front page.

1989

Congratulations to recent graduate **Stephen A. Cerny** for being one of 10 new lawyers selected nationally for the 1990-91 Legal Honors Program of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. His internship is in the Office of the General Counsel in Washington, D.C. Mr. Cerny's achievement was the featured story in the PD column, *Mary, Mary*. He was employed as a neighborhood planner in Cleveland's community development department, where he helped implement the HUD-funded Community Development Block Grant program.

Ryan Fisher has become associated with Sindell, Lowe & Guidubaldi Co., LPA in Cleveland, Ohio.

Jennifer A. Hays has joined the firm of Ulmer & Berne.

Margaret M. Koesel has joined the firm of Porter, Wright, Morris & Arthur. She is an associate in the Litigation Department. Ms. Koesel was formerly a Law Clerk to Court of Appeals Judge Ann McManamon '50.

Craig Relman has become an associate with Nicola, Gudbranson & Cooper. He has also joined the Scholarship and Student Assistance Committee of CMLAA.

1990

Congratulations and best wishes to **Judy Carlin** and husband, Wally Krohngold, on the birth of their son Eric Charles on October 4, 1990.

Patrick J. Leddy, Mark A. Phillips, and **Mary E. Reid**, have joined the firm of Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff as associates.

Ellen McCarthy, J. Charles Ruiz-Bueno, and **Jim Schumacher** have joined the firm of Nurenberg, Plevin, Heller & McCarthy Co., LPA as associates.



Congratulations to **Karen A. Davey** engagement. Plans for a September

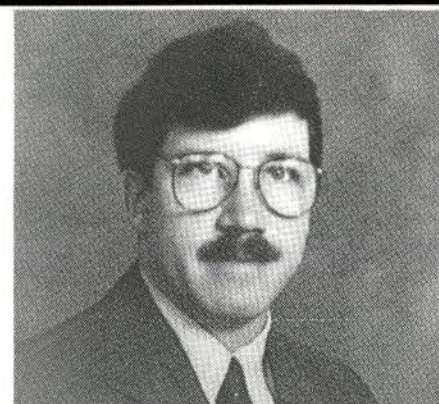
Ms. Davey was Law Clerk to Judge **John T. Patton '58** and is now a partner with the firm of Rippner, Schwartz & Carlin. She has served on the CMLAA Board of Trustees since 1987, and is the co-chair of its social committee. She is active in the Cleveland Bar Association, as former chair of the Young Lawyers' Section and now serves on its Executive Council, is a member of the Commission on Women in the Law and the Estate Planning, Probate and Trust Law Section. Ms. Davey is also a member of the Cuyahoga County, Ohio State, and American Bar Associations. In her free time, she likes to golf and swim.

MORE ALUMNI HAPPENINGS . .

William F. White was featured in the Plain Dealer's *Today's Profile*. He is a Patrolman with the Cleveland Police Department's 5th District and is preparing for the February Bar Exam. Mr. White was honored as policeman of the month in January 1988 for talking a man out of committing suicide while the man was barricaded in a house. He and his wife, Rachele, live in Middleburg Heights.

1992

Cleveland-Marshall student **Richard Kasmer**, has been the ethics and substance abuse speaker for the 1990 CLE seminars. Dr. Kasmer received his Doctor of Pharmacy from Creighton University in 1981 and plans to receive his JD in 1992. Dr. Kasmer is the Vice President of General Operations for Pharmaceutical Research Corp. of Ohio.



'80 and **Michael P. Harvey '87** on their wedding are being made.

Mr. Harvey was Law Clerk to the late U.S. Judge Rey and has been an associate with the firm of Walter, Haverfield, Buescher & Chockley since 1988. He became an adjunct professor at C-M in 1988, where he still teaches Legal Writing to first year law students. He is a member of the Cleveland Bar Association and serves on its Law School Liaison Committee. Mr. Harvey came to Cleveland in 1984 from Fordham University in New York where he was Assistant Director of Student Life and also taught history to high school students. In his spare time he likes to golf, play softball, and volunteer in the community.

OBITUARIES

Our condolences to the families and friends of the following Cleveland-Marshall Alumni who have passed away:

William Isler (a member of the first graduating class of the old John Marshall Law School) was a patent lawyer for more than 50 years in the Leader Building. Mr. Isler was a handball champion in his younger days and played racquetball at a downtown club well into his eighties.

Harry Klang '26, was very well known for his knowledge of real estate and probate law. He was a Vice President of the Lawyers Titles Insurance Corporation, and also the old Cuyahoga Abstract Title and Trust Company.

Willard A. Weiss '43 was an actuary and an attorney who retired as president of E.M. Klein & Associates in 1979. He was an avid golfer and a history buff. In 1976 he wrote "To Form a More Perfect Union," which

was published in 1977. The book was about the U.S. Constitution.

Gerald S. Green '55, was a forty year member of the Polish Legion of American Veterans and the Polish National Alliance. He assumed state and national duties as a judge advocate in the Polish Legion of Am. Vets. Mr. Green was the founder and lawyer for the Inter-City Yacht Club.

Robert H. Niemiec '79, a quadriplegic since a high-jump accident in high school, was an attorney and a computer expert. His practice was located in Brunswick, where he worked with small businesses and practiced real estate law. He established a company to sell customized computer equipment to people with special needs. He also counseled young people and taught them computer skills. He was 39 when he died from complications of surgery.



Welcome New Board Members

Congratulations to **Debbie Hiller '75** and **Thomas L. Colaluca '75** on their appointment to the CMLAA Board of Trustees.

Ms. Hiller will complete the term of **John Polito '73**. Referee Polito's schedule at the court prevents him from finishing his term. The Board extends sincere thanks to John for his dedication and service to the CMLAA.

Mr. Colaluca is filling the unexpired term of **Sheryl King Benford '79** who has taken the position of Secretary of the CMLAA.

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OUR NEW ASSISTANT DEAN

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received the Reminger & Reminger Award for Meritorious Writing in the Field of Law and Medicine, served on the Moot Court Board of Governors and was an editor of the Journal of Law and Health.

Melody Stewart's legal education was marked not only by academic achievement, but by service to her fellow law students as well. She was an active member of the Black Law Student Association and beginning in her second year, volunteered to serve as a "big sister" to incoming students. That year and the following, she participated in a special retention program of year-long tutoring and mentoring for non-traditional students. Finally, she deserves recognition as one of the students who spearheaded the drive to create the La Tanya Livingston Memorial Fund at the law school.

Ms. Stewart was as busy outside of classes and school as she was inside. In the summer of her first year, she began clerking in a downtown law firm, and during most of her final year, she clerked for the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, leaving the EEOC in March of 1988 to intern in the torts section of the City of Cleveland Law Department. Following graduation in 1988, Ms. Stewart continued to work for the City of Cleveland as an Assistant Law Director; in March of 1990, she assumed that post for the City of East Cleveland. In spite of the demands of her work, Ms. Stewart is active in the community and serves on the Board of Trustees of her high school, Beaumont School. She has remained in close contact with her law school alma mater also, both as a lecturer in Legal Research, Writing and Advocacy and as a member of the Alumni Association's Board of Trustees.

Melody Stewart's affiliation with Cleveland-Marshall changed dramatically in September when she joined the College as its newest Assistant Dean. Her responsibilities have, in many ways, mirrored the good works of her student days. On campus she works to improve retention rates of under-represented groups; off campus she works with Dean McNally (Assistant Dean for Admissions and Student Affairs) to bolster recruitment of these

groups.

Dean Stewart joined the College with full faculty, staff and student support. The enthusiasm of many persons contributed to a cooperative effort to establish the new deanship. A year and a half ago, Dean McNally and Dean Steven R. Smith, with help from the Student Division of the National Bar Association and encouragement from the Admissions Committee, sought and received funds for creating the new position from CSU's Office of Minority Affairs.

Dean Smith praised the foresight of the selection committee which, after a national search, located the new Assistant Dean among the College's own graduates. "Melody Stewart was a model student, has been a model alumna and will be a model dean. She has lived in Cleveland most of her life and knows the community from many perspectives. We are fortunate to have someone with her gifts and sensitivity working with us and our students."

It is now time to reveal what the accomplished law student, public servant and new Assistant Dean has been doing all these years with her undergraduate degree in music theory and composition, for those are not the usual paths to legal studies. Dean Stewart's bachelor of music degree has not lain idle. During law school, she taught and composed music in her "spare time." Today, as well, she continues playing and composing on the piano. From 1985 to 1988, she served as secretary to the Cleveland Heights Alumni Chapter of Mu Phi Epsilon Music Fraternity and is involved in other musical activities in the community. Therefore, in wel-

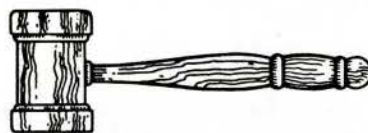
coming its new dean, the College welcomes to its administrative staff an attorney, a teacher and its only resident in-house musician, Melody Stewart.

This is how Dean Stewart envisioned her new job: "I hope to improve statistics that have a negative 'air' about them. If I can do that, I will feel successful in my mission. It is a challenge I look forward to."

In her first four months on the job, Dean Stewart has spent a great deal of her time traveling to other schools attending seminars and learning about orientation, retention and academic support programs. At the law school, she has a consistent stream of students in her office to say hello, ask for advice on personal matters, get her expert editorial opinion on a paper, receive advice on how to study, get jobs, keep jobs, and how to balance work and school and family.

Dean Stewart has been placed on several committees since joining the Administrative Staff at C-M: Special Committee for Bar Passage, Student Affairs Advisory Committee, Admissions and Placement. She also assists the Admissions Office with recruitment, attends seminars and conferences on student retention, academic support programming and networking with other schools through the Law School Admission Council Forums.

She has realized that the law school didn't just suddenly develop problems, but that we have recently begun collecting data on these concerns and can now turn that data into usable statistics. Now that we have concrete information with which to pinpoint the problems, we can approach and hopefully cure them.



TENTATIVE SPRING 1991 CLE SERIES

Professor Jim Flaherty, Director and Creator of our CLE Series, has the following programs planned for the spring . . .

April 6, 1991 Civil Procedure	May 11, 1991 Medical Malpractice
April 13, 1991 Employer/Employee	May 18, 1991 Discovery
April 20, 1991 Elder Law	June 1, 1991 *Malpractice/Misconduct*
May 4, 1991 Execution on Judgments	June 8, 1991 *Ethics/Malpractice*

Qualifies for 3 CLE Credits in Ethics & Substance Abuse

STUDENT NEWS

THE INTERNATIONAL LAW SOCIETY RE-FORMS AND SEEKS ALUMNI SUPPORT

An official chapter of the International Law Society (ILS) has been re-formed at Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. The goals of the group are to learn about international legal issues, network into the international legal profession and provide a forum on campus for international dialogue.

The Society started in September of the 1990 school year. Since its inception, we have re-formed under the Student Bar Association and school guidelines, submitted the application to the International Law Students Association, formed and registered a JESSUP Moot Court Team and started to attend the Greater Cleveland International Lawyers Group Monthly Luncheons.

In the past, the JESSUP Moot Court Team at Cleveland-Marshall has won awards for its work. The current team is preparing for oral argument competition to be held in February, either in Wisconsin or Michigan.

The ILS has a limited budget, being under the budget constraints of the Student Government. It is seeking donations to support its activities, in particular the JESSUP team's travel-

ing funds to the regional conference.

This semester the ILS is planning to host a speakers day for students and any interested parties. The day will consist of two panel group discussions on regional issues, including the Demjanjuk case and the sanctuary issue related to the new immigration bill.

Also this semester, the ILS is planning to have monthly speakers on campus. These speakers will be asked to present an hour long discussion on a topic of interest to the students. The speakers will include faculty and off-campus participants. If you are interested in speaking, either as a panel participant or a monthly speaker, please contact us.

During the re-forming of the ILS, we have not been able to find all of the previous records of members and their activities. We are asking for the support of previous members for assistance in updating and completing our records.

If you are interested in supporting these activities or if you require further information, please contact ILS president **Ann Fisher** at 991-0490.

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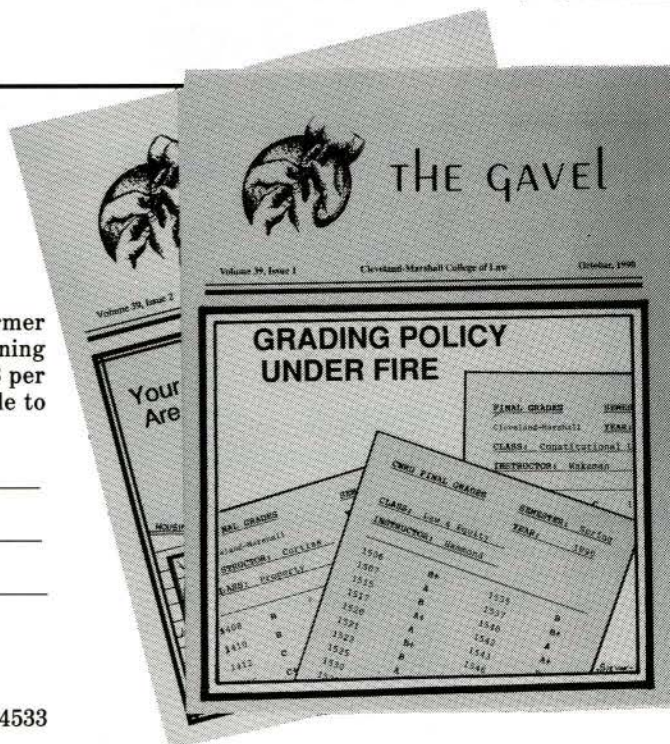
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FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATION HAPPENINGS

FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATION

Professor Alan Miles Ruben has been appointed to the Corporate Law Committee of the Ohio State Bar Association. The committee drafts and proposes legislation governing business organizations for consideration by the General Assembly.

Dennis Keating, who teaches in both the Law School and the College of Urban Affairs, has not had an idle year. In April, Professor Keating delivered a paper on Downtown Planning at the American Planning Association conference in Denver. He spent May in Jamaica as an advisor to the Jamaica Ministry of Housing on the island's rent control system. November found the professor in Austin at the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, where he spoke on "National Housing Policy and HUD" and "Teaching Land Use Planning Law."

Professor Thomas Buckley wrote the Ohio ACLU amicus brief urging dismissal of the indictment in the case involving the Robert Mapplethorpe exhibit at the Cincinnati Art Museum. Professor Buckley is also co-counsel in a first amendment rights case involving nude dancers which is now pending in the U.S. Supreme Court. This spring, the Toledo Law Review will publish his article on Bankruptcy Preferences.

Assistant Professor Deborah Geier had a letter to the editor published in the New York Times, Tuesday, December 4, 1990. Professor Geier's letter concerned the rights of homeless persons under the fourth amendment to protect their furnishings and makeshift dwellings from seizure by local authorities.

Faculty members **Dena Davis**, **Deborah Geier**, **Stephan Landsman**, **William Tabac**, **Janice Toran**, and **James Wilson** have all been awarded research grants from the Cleveland-Marshall Fund Committee.

Most tax experts get busy around tax time in April. Tax Professor

Louis Geneva spreads his expertise over the year. In December, he spoke before the American Society of CLU and CHFC on deferred payment of taxes related to closely held businesses. Professor Geneva's speech focused on the *Estate of Graegin* case, which permits a full current deduction for payments due 15 years in the future. Later in the month, he addressed the Ohio Society of C.P.A.'s State and Federal Tax Forum on succession planning and new Chapter 14. The professor has already accepted speaking engagements for March and May 1991 and the new year promises to be just as demanding.

Associate Dean Carroll Sierk was the moderator at the December brown bag faculty lunch forum. Dean Sierk, along with **Federal Judge Ann Aldrich**, **Carol Czeck**, **Barbara Sper**, **Professor Emeritus Leroy Murad**, **Adjunct Professor Wilton Sogg** and **CSU Financial President Dennis Anderson**, gave faculty a lively account of the history of the law school and the early days of its affiliation with CSU. Other faculty speakers at this popular series have been **Assistant Dean Liz Dreyfuss '78**, **Professor Steve Lazarus**, **Dean Steven Smith**, **Assistant Dean Melody Stewart '88**, **Andrew Trew**, Visiting Professor from the Central London Polytechnic and **Donald Shapiro**, the 1990 Baker & Hostetler Professor.

In January, **Elisabeth T. Dreyfuss '78**, Assistant Dean for Law-Related Education and Director of the Street Law Program, **Pamela Daiker '88**, and **Sonia Winner '90**, Staff Assistant to the Street Law Program, will all attend a national conference of attorneys involved in law-related education in law schools. The Washington, D.C. conference, organized by the National Institute for Citizen Education About Law (NICEL), will be held at Georgetown University's Law Center, home of the country's first Street Law Program.

Professor Frederic White made a three hour video for the Ohio CLE In-

stitute on Landlord Tenant Law. The film was aired in five Ohio cities during November and December. He also reviewed the "Renting Residential Property" chapter of *You and the Law*, a general consumer guide to legal issues published by the ABA.

Dean Steven Smith joined the following faculty and staff in Washington D.C. for the January annual meeting of the Association of American Law Schools: **David Barnhizer**, **Louise Dempsey**, **Elisabeth Dreyfuss**, **David Forte**, **Peter Garlock**, **David Goshein**, **Deborah Klein**, **Marjorie Kornhauser**, **John Makdisi**, **Mary McKenna**, **Lizabeth Moody**, **Solomon Oliver**, **Jane Picker**, **Steven Steinglass**, **Victor Streib**, and **Janice Toran**. During the meeting, the Dean held a reception for faculty, staff, friends, and alumni on January 3 in the Cabinet Room on the Concourse Level of the Washington Hilton.

Law Library Director **Scott Finet**, recently returned from Ireland, has welcomed a new Associate Library Director, **Katherine Malquist**. Ms. Malquist holds a J.D. from the University of Toledo and an M.L.S. from Kent State University.

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In October, the law school parted with two valued employees. **Pamela Lombardi**, Placement Director, accepted the position of Placement Director for Ohio State University School of Law. Her two sons Benjamin and Andrew joined her in Columbus when husband and father Vince, a member of the Coast Guard Reserves, was called to active duty in the Persian Gulf. The College is conducting a national search in an effort to locate a replacement. **Kathryn Olson**, Associate Director of the Fair Employment Practices Clinic, announced that she will leave C-M to join her husband Jeffrey Petee, who has accepted a job in Los Angeles with Rockwell International. The college is also seeking Ms. Olson's replacement.

STAFF NEWS

Jean Bowers, Law School Receptionist, visited the Bahamas this past June.

Laverne Carter, Manager of Faculty and Administrative Services, has entered her second year as a mentor in the CSU Mentoring Program, a retention effort which seeks to foster the adjustment of students of color (African, Hispanic and Native American) to the CSU campus by linking them with a knowledgeable faculty or staff member who serves as their mentor.

B. Machele Dantzler joined the law school as Technical Typist to the Baker & Hostetler Chair and Receptionist in the Dean's Office in October. Ms. Dantzler holds an A.S. degree from Dyke College, where she specialized in secretarial/word processing skills. Beginning this Winter quarter, Ms. Dantzler will pursue her B.A. in Education at CSU in hopes of becoming an elementary school teacher. She also belongs to the Good Shepherd Baptist Church, where she is taking courses with the intention of becoming a Sunday school teacher in the near future.

Rosa M. DelVecchio, Secretary to Associate Dean John Makdisi, has had

three and a half poems accepted for publication in upcoming issues of various U.S. poetry journals.

An army veteran of five years, **Harold Jackson**, Word Processing Specialist at the law school, has enrolled in undergraduate courses at CSU.

Priscilla Jackson, Word Processing Specialist at the Law School, has been taking courses at CSU since Spring quarter. She hopes to complete an undergraduate degree in either computer science or business management.

Cynthia Marizette, Secretary of Career Planning, is pursuing a B.A. in Sociology under the new General Studies Program at CSU.

Silke Pagendarm of Support Services and **Artemus Carter** of Street Law were champion bowlers in Bellefaire's Big Brother/Big Sister bowl-a-thon.

President's Column

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of Cleveland-Marshall Alumni.

We have continued to work toward increased employment and professional opportunities for our graduates and students. A portion of this task was accomplished with a very successful career day which we co-sponsored with the law school and Women's Law Caucus last November.

We have begun to explore law school, faculty, student and alumni participation in a pro bono program which we know will benefit the community as well as the participants.

Our minority mentoring program has been well received, which is encouraging not only for the participants, both alumni and students, but allows us to harbor great expectations for the 1991 fall semester, when this opportunity will be offered school-wide by our organization.

The holiday season saw us enjoy an evening at the Cleveland Play House, with a cocktail reception followed by a performance of *Harvey*, which was very well received. Social activities of this type give us the opportunity to gather together in a pleasant, congenial atmosphere.

We were most gratified to see our efforts to aid our students recognized by the November Student Bar Association Newsletter which devoted its entire front page to the Alumni Association's attempts to improve the law school experience for students and a gratifying number of our future members have become active members on various committees.

The only way to improve upon our work is for you to become involved with us, not only as a member of our Alumni Association but as an active, contributing part of our mission to make our entire Cleveland-Marshall family better for everyone.

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